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LETTER DATED 22 FEBRUARY 1994 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you of the violations of the cease-fire provisions and the terms governing the area of separation committed by the Iranian side during the period from 7 December 1993 to 28 January 1994.

7 December 1993

At 1400 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with three men in military uniform on board left Abadan port, heading for the sea. At 1530 hours, it returned to its point of departure with the same men on board.

8 December 1993

(a) At 1000 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with three men in military uniform on board left Abadan port, heading for the sea. At 1015 hours, it returned to its point of departure with the same men on board.

(b) At 1400 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with three men in military uniform on board entered Abadan port.

9 December 1993

(a) At 0930 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with three men in military uniform on board left Abadan port, heading for the sea. At 1000 hours, it returned to its point of departure with the same men on board.

(b) At 1430 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with three men in military uniform on board left Abadan port, heading for Muhammarah port.

11 December 1993

At 1415 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with three civilians on board left Abadan port. At 1515 hours, it returned to its point of departure with the same men on board.

13 December 1993

At 1430 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with two civilians on board entered Abadan port from the direction of the sea.

14 December 1993

At 0930 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with three soldiers on board left Abadan port, heading for the sea. At 1100 hours, it returned to its point of departure with the same men on board.

15 December 1993

At 0930 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with four soldiers on board entered Abadan port from the direction of the sea. At 1300 hours, it returned to Abadan port, and at 1345 hours, it left Abadan port with the same men on board, heading for the sea.

21 December 1993

At 1500 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with 10 men on board (six soldiers and four civilians) left Abadan port, heading for the sea. At 1600 hours, it returned to its point of departure with the same men on board.

22 December 1993

At 0645 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with four men on board left Abadan port, heading for the sea. At 0720 hours, it returned to its point of departure with the same men on board.

25 December 1993

At 1330 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with four civilians on board left Abadan port, heading for the sea. At 1500 hours, it returned to its point of departure with the same men on board.

26 December 1993

At 1430 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with five soldiers on board left Abadan port, heading for the sea. At 1600 hours, it returned to its point of departure.

1 January 1994

(a) At 0800 hours, three soldiers from the Iranian side were seen observing the Iraqi units at geographical coordinates 8508 inside the area of separation (map of Khazinah, 1:100,000).

(b) At 1040 hours, a group of about 10 men from the Iranian side were seen training in the use of the RPG-7 grenade launcher at geographical coordinates 514501 in front of the Fakkah guard post inside the area of separation (map of Shaykh Faris, 1:100,000).

(c) At 1540 hours, 10 men wearing only military trousers and carrying light weapons were seen at geographical coordinates 9001 in front of the Zayd guard post opposite the Iraqi units. They fired a number of rounds in the direction of the Iraqi units and, after five minutes, withdrew to the Iranian rear (map of Tahiri, 1:100,000).

2 January 1994

At 1100 hours, six men armed with rifles and a light grenade launcher were seen at the abandoned Iranian post at geographical coordinates 918959 in front of the Zayd guard post. They fired 30 rounds at the Iraqi units, and they were then joined by nine more men. At 1145 hours, they returned to the Iranian rear (map of Tahiri, 1:100,000).

6 January 1994

At 0850 hours, a group of about six men from the Iranian side were seen repairing the shelters at geographical coordinates 518529 in front of the Fakkah guard post inside the area of separation (map of Shaykh Faris, 1:100,000).

7 January 1994

At 1200 hours, a group of about 20 soldiers from the Iranian side were seen erecting a mound, on which they raised the Iranian flag, opposite the Iraqi units at geographical coordinates 367730 in front of the Bujaylah guard post inside the area of separation (map of Shaykh Faris, 1:100,000).

8 January 1994

(a) At 0800 hours, a group of 25 to 30 men from the Iranian side were seen fortifying shelters at geographical coordinates 514501 in front of the Fakkah guard post inside the area of separation (map of Shaykh Faris, 1:100,000).

(b) On the afternoon of the same day, eight Iranian warplanes violated Iraqi airspace in the northern sector and overflew the Kou Senjaq area. On the same day, 17 other aircraft violated Iraqi airspace, overflying the Qindil area.

11 January 1994

At 1025 hours, a group of 15 to 20 men from the Iranian side were seen repairing and digging shelters at geographical coordinates 518529 in front of the Fakkah guard post inside the area of separation (map of Shaykh Faris, 1:100,000).

12 January 1994

(a) At 1100 hours, an Iranian warplane violated Iraqi airspace in the northern sector and penetrated as far as Kou Senjaq.

(b) At 1100 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with two men in military uniform on board left Abadan port, heading for the sea. At 1230 hours, it returned to its point of departure with the same men on board.

16 January 1994

At 0900 hours, a white-coloured Iranian military patrol boat with five men on board (two in military uniform, one carrying field-glasses and the other a small communications device) was seen approaching the Iraqi coast at geographical coordinates 1858 (map of Saybah, 1:100,000). Ten minutes later, it returned to its point of departure.

17 January 1994

(a) An Iranian force entered Iraqi territory in the Mawat area, Sulaymaniyah Governorate, penetrated 8 to 10 kilometres and seized a number of the inhabitants of the villages in the area.

(b) At 1350 hours, a group of about 7 men from the Iranian side were seen repairing and strengthening shelters at geographical coordinates 514501 in front of the Fakkah guard post inside the area of separation (map of Shaykh Faris, 1:100,000).

(c) At 1400 hours an Iranian military patrol boat with four soldiers on board left Abadan port. At 1500 hours, it returned to its point of departure with the same men on board.

19 January 1994

At 1300 hours, an Iranian military helicopter was seen coming from the Iranian rear, flying at low altitude. It followed the course of the international boundary in the area opposite the area between the Darraji guard post and the Hasan al-Askari guard post and then returned over the same course to the Iranian rear.

20 January 1994

(a) At 0900 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with four soldiers on board left Abadan port, heading for the sea. At 1100 hours, it returned to its point of departure with the same men on board.

(b) At 1430 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with three soldiers on board left Muhammarah port, heading for Abadan port.

23 January 1994

At 1510 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with three soldiers on board was seen sailing parallel to the Iranian coast facing Umm al-Rasas island in the direction of Muhammarah port. At 1610 hours, it returned over the same course.

24 January 1994

At 1500 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat with three soldiers on board entered Abadan port from the direction of the sea.

25 January 1994

An Iranian military patrol boat made of fibreglass, with three soldiers on board, entered Abadan port from the direction of the sea.

26 January 1994

(a) At 0805 hours, a group of about 20 men from the Iranian side were seen doing mortar training at geographical coordinates 518529 in front of the Fakkah guard post inside the area of separation (map of Shaykh Faris, 1:100,000).

(b) At 0900 hours, a group of about 10 men from the Iranian side were seen repairing shelters at geographical coordinates 512512 in front of the Fakkah guard post inside the area of separation (map of Shaykh Faris, 1:100,000).

(c) At 0900 hours, the Iranian side erected a new tent at the side of the Shib guard post at geographical coordinates 656275, in addition to the tents that they had already erected there, and a number of soldiers were seen repairing the old tents inside the area of separation (map of Hawr al-Hawizah, 1:100,000).

(d) At 1350 hours, a small Iranian military patrol boat made of fibreglass and with two soldiers on board left Abadan port, heading for Muhammarah port. At 1430 hours, it returned to its point of departure with the same men on board and accompanied by a small boat of the same type.

27 January 1994

At 1045 hours, a group of about 15 men from the Iranian side were seen repairing shelters at geographical coordinates 512512 in front of the Fakkah guard post inside the area of separation (map of Shaykh Faris, 1:100,000).

28 January 1994

At 1330 hours, an Iranian military patrol boat made of fibreglass and with five soldiers on board left Abadan port, heading for the sea. At 1440 hours, it returned to its point of departure with the same men on board.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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